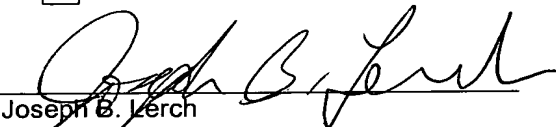
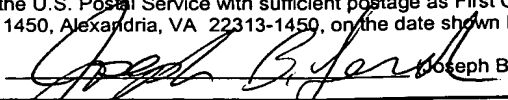


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In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-12, 14-48 and 50-57, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: